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For: **METHOD FOR THE RAPID SELECTION OF HOMOZYGOS PRIMARY CELL LINES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF TRANSGENIC ANIMALS BY SOMATIC CELL NUCLEAR TRANSFER**

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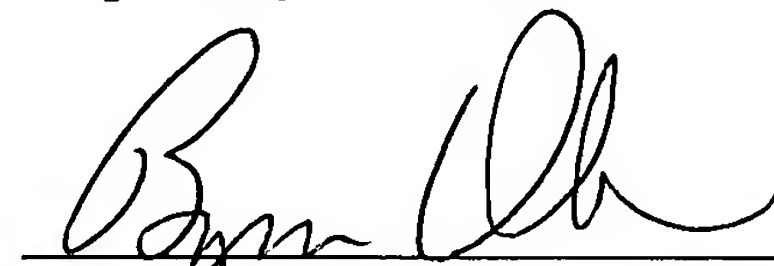
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